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SUBJECT: ARGENTINA, CHILE END INCONCLUSIVE TALKS

REF: BUENOS AIRES 5216

1. THE FIRST ROUND OF TALKS BETWEEN CHILE AND ARGENTINA, WHICH ENDED JULY 22, APPARENTLY SKIRTED THE ISSUE OF THE BEAGLE CHANNEL AND WERE LIMITED INSTEAD TO AN INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON A NUMBER OF BILATERAL ISSUES AFFECTING THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE AGREED TO A SECOND SESSION OF INFORMAL TALKS TO BE HELD IN SANTIAGO PRESUMABLY BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

2. WHILE GOA HAS AVOIDED ANY FURTHER PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION OF DISPLEASURE CONCERNING THE BEAGLE CHANNEL DECISION, GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES ARE CLEARLY DISTURBED BY THE EFFECT OF THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT'S RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT ON ITS CLAIM OF A 200 MILE TERRITORIAL LIMIT. TAKING THE THREE SMALL ISLANDS AT THE EASTERN SIDE OF THE CHANNEL WHICH WERE AWARDED TO CHILE IN THE RECENT DECISION, CHILE'S 200-MILE CLAIM WOULD DRIVE DEEP INTO THE ATLANTIC OCEAN. ARGENTINA CONTENDS THAT THE CHILEAN-ARGENTINE TREATY OF 1881 CLEARLY EXCLUDES CHILEAN CLAIMS WITHIN

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THE ATLANTIC AND ARGENTINE CLAIMS WITHIN THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

3. ON JULY 23, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ANNOUNCED THAT PROMINENT LEGAL EXPERTS MARCO AURELIO RISOLIA, ISIDORO RUIZ MORENO AND MANUEL ORDONEZ WERE ASSIGNED AS SPECIAL ADVISORS REGARDING THE BEAGLE CHANNEL DECISION

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